

NOTICE OF INTENT

**Department of Health
Bureau of Health Services Financing**

**Medicaid Eligibility
New Adult Eligibility Group
(LAC 50:III.2317)**

The Department of Health, Bureau of Health Services Financing proposes to amend LAC 50:III.2317 in the Medical Assistance Program as authorized by R.S. 36:254 and pursuant to Title XIX of the Social Security Act. This proposed Rule is promulgated in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:950 et seq.

The Department of Health and Hospitals, Bureau of Health Services Financing amended the provisions governing Medicaid eligibility to adopt provisions in the Medicaid Program to expand coverage to the new adult group (*Louisiana Register*, Volume 42, Number 5). The department now proposes to amend the provisions governing the new adult eligibility group in order to clarify the provisions of the May 20, 2016 Rule.

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PUBLIC HEALTH—MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

Part III. Eligibility

Subpart 3. Eligibility Groups and Factors

Chapter 23. Eligibility Groups and Medicaid Programs

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A. – C.2. ...

3. not entitled to, or enrolled in Medicare Part A

or Medicare Part B; ~~and~~

4. not otherwise eligible for and enrolled in mandatory coverage under the Medicaid State Plan-~~i~~;

a. Parents, children or disabled persons receiving Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits are excluded from enrollment as a new adult-~~i~~; and

5. parents or other caretaker relatives living with a dependent child(ren) under age 19 who are receiving benefits under Medicaid, the Children's Health Insurance Program, or otherwise enrolled in minimum essential coverage as defined in 42 CFR 435.4.

D. ...

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 36:254 and Title XIX of the Social Security Act.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Health and Hospitals, Bureau of Health Services Financing, LR 42:755 (May 2016), amended by the Department of Health, Bureau of Health Services Financing, LR 42:

In compliance with Act 1183 of the 1999 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature, the impact of this proposed Rule on the family has been considered. It is anticipated that this proposed Rule will have no impact on family functioning, stability or autonomy as described in R.S. 49:972.

In compliance with Act 854 of the 2012 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature, the poverty impact of this proposed Rule has been considered. It is anticipated that this proposed

Rule will have no impact on child, individual, or family poverty in relation to individual or community asset development as described in R.S. 49:973.

In compliance with House Concurrent Resolution (HCR) 170 of the 2014 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature, the provider impact of this proposed Rule has been considered. It is anticipated that this proposed Rule will have no impact on the staffing level requirements or qualifications required to provide the same level of service, no direct or indirect cost to the provider to provide the same level of service, and will have no impact on the provider's ability to provide the same level of service as described in HCR 170.

Interested persons may submit written comments to Jen Steele, Bureau of Health Services Financing, P.O. Box 91030, Baton Rouge, LA 70821-9030 or by email to MedicaidPolicy@la.gov. Ms. Steele is responsible for responding to inquiries regarding this proposed Rule. A public hearing on this proposed Rule is scheduled for Thursday, August 25, 2016 at 9:30 a.m. in Room 118, Bienville Building, 628 North Fourth Street, Baton Rouge, LA. At that time all interested persons will be afforded an opportunity to submit data, views or arguments either orally or in writing. The deadline for receipt of all written comments is 4:30 p.m. on the next business day following the public hearing.

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